

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Plaintiff,

v.

JOHN R. LAIRD,

Defendant.

No. 06-CR-30138-DRH

ORDER

HERNDON, Chief Judge:

On January 4, 2008, the Court received two motions, a motion for bond reduction (Doc. 341) and a motion for specific discovery (Doc. 342), written by Defendant Laird. Defendant Laird is presently represented by Mr. Michael S. Ghidina. Because Defendant Laird is represented by counsel, the Court **STRIKES** the motions (Docs. 341 and 342). The Seventh Circuit has held that "A district court is entitled to insist that a represented party file papers only through counsel." ***Johnson v. United States*, 196 F.3d 802, 805 (7th Cir. 1999)**. Therefore, the Court insists that Laird only file pleadings through his attorney.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Signed this 7th day of January, 2008.

/s/ DavidRHerndon
Chief Judge
United States District Court